

**Extension of metro into neighbouring townships**

237. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether Government are proposing to extend the Delhi Metro into neighbouring townships such as Gurgaon, Ghaziabad and Noida;
- (b) if so, the details worked out so far like stations and routes;
- (c) the present status thereof, location-wise; and
- (d) the likely date of completion of these projects?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI AJAY MALKEN): (a) to (d) Government has approved the proposal for extension of Delhi Metro to Gurgaon, subject to certain conditions. The routes and proposed stations worked out so far along Gurgaon extension beyond Qutab Minar are, Chattarpur, Ghitorni, Arjan Garh (last station in Delhi area), Garden Estate, Sikandarpur, DT City Centre, IIFCO Chowk and Sushant Lok. The work on this route has been taken up by Delhi Metro Rail Corporation Ltd. (DMRC) and is likely to be completed by July, 2010.

Government of Uttar Pradesh (GoUP) has been requested to discuss the proposal for extension of Phase-II of Delhi Metro to Noida with the Government of National Capital Territory of Delhi (GNCTD) and DMRC before the final approval is accorded. The routes and proposed stations planned so far along Noida extension beyond New Ashok Nagar (last station in Delhi area) are, Noida Sector-15, Noida Sector-16, Noida Sector-18, Botanical Garden, Golf Course and Noida City Centre. Only preliminary works for this route are being done by DMRC. The project is planned for completion by DMRC by September, 2009, subject to necessary approvals by the competent authority.

As regards extension of Delhi Metro to Ghaziabad there is no formal proposal from Government of Uttar Pradesh to Central Government.